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Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)

Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on November 23, 2004, the Applicant respectfully submits a corrected Amendment to the claims section (attached) with status identifiers added. Applicant requests the Examiner to enter the amendment and to consider the following remark from Applicant's Response mailed September 22, 2004, as corrected by this submission.

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Please charge any shortage to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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